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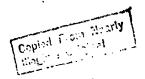
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Ins Racional Investigations Consisted is horoby requesting the distribution of this full report so that we may examine the deciment and the syldence along with the scientists conclusions.

Ine Air Force has repeatedly chated that there is absolutely no denger connected with uniqualified flying objects. It has a impain that there is no classification as regards national security I this schitted "official use only" classification, which, the Air Force says, is to protect the names of witnesses who do not win to se publicly-listed.

Since the CIA document is said not to list witnesses names but to discuss the general problem, there is no reason apparent way it should not be declassified, as requested.

Despite the published conclusions of the 1953 scientists group,

we have found that there is an increasing public bolief that the

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of the subject and it could and to hysteris or even panic, under

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problem would serve the best interests of the country.

In addition to requesting a copy of the formal report drawn up by the scientists in 1955, Nicht Proquests an interview with an official of the Central Intelligence Agency who is quilified to speak for the CIX on this subject. It is our ballof that a frank discussion of the problems will be of mutual benefit.

In my provious lotters, I gave you the name of some of our Boars members, including Vice Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter, USY (Ret.) who formerly was director of the Control Intelligence Agency, I am sure that Admiral Hillenkoetter, as well as all the members of our Board and our Special Advisors would tell you, if questioned that they disagree with the present secreey about unidentified flying objects.

With a membership covering all 40 states and many foreign countries except those in the USSR, NICAP has, by its serious, factual arproach wan the attention of many important citizens here and sor Our factual press releases have been given serious attention by the press and by newseasters. We are in a position to help citizent in America, and elecahere, for the facts which eventually will to be made public. We hope the Control Intelligence Agency will agree to a conference or at least an interview on the various agree of this problem.

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